Sydney's Growth Centres North West Growth Centre

# **Riverstone East**

## Community Update 2 March 2014

# **Precinct Planning update**

Precinct Planning is a process that:

- Rezones land for housing, jobs and other urban purposes.
- Coordinates the planning and delivery of essential infrastructure like roads, water and sewer, and community facilities.
- Involves State agencies, local councils, industry and the community to achieve the best possible planning outcomes.



Aerial map of the Riverstone East Precinct

The location of specific land uses (zoning) will be determined as the Precinct Planning process progresses.

#### **Fieldwork underway**

Planning & Infrastructure (P&I) has now engaged specialist contractors to undertake technical studies to assess the suitability of the land for future urban development. You may have noticed contractors beginning their work in the precinct. To date, much of this fieldwork has related to studies including Biodiversity, Riparian Corridors, Noise and Odour. Fieldwork will soon commence to examine issues such as Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Heritage, and Land Capability, Salinity and Contamination.

Thank you to those landowners who have given permission for contractors to enter their property to assist with this fieldwork. Once contractors have confirmed fieldwork requirements, we may contact land owners individually if access to specific properties is required. If you would still like to provide permission, please complete and return the form accompanying this newsletter to the email or postal address below.

### Do you run a Business in the Precinct?

P&I has engaged SGS Economics and Planning to undertake an Economic and Employment analysis within the Precinct. If you currently operate a business within the Precinct, it would greatly assist SGS Economics and Planning if you could **complete the attached survey**.

The information you provide will help inform our consideration of appropriate planning controls and the current economic and employment generating activities in the Precincts. **Please return the survey to us by Friday 4 April, 2014**. If you have a tenant on your property who operates a business, please consider asking them to complete the survey.

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### **Next Steps**

P&I and Blacktown City Council will be holding the first Enquiry by Design (EBD) workshops for land owners in the coming months. The aim of these workshops will be to gather valuable local information about the precinct, to discuss some of the early outcomes from the technical and master planning work, and to collect land owners' feedback about the future of the area. Land owners will receive an invitation to these workshops when dates are confirmed.

P&I is continuing to work closely with Blacktown City Council, State agencies and service providers to help inform the development of a draft Indicative Layout Plan (ILP), proposed land use zones and other detailed development provisions to be included in the proposed amendment to the Growth Centres State Environmental Planning Policy.

#### Further information: phone 1300 730 550 or email community@planning.nsw.gov.au

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Looking north along Tallawong Rd